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HOUSE BILL 2528

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-3-111,
relative to the appointment of veterans' service officers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-3-111, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) The service offices in §§ 58-3-109 through 58-3-111 shall be in charge of an executive director or service officer, who shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the political subdivision or subdivisions creating such office, subject to the confirmation of the governing body or bodies of the political subdivision or subdivisions participating.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-3-111, is further amended by deleting subsection (b) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(b) In case such service office is created by contract between two (2) or more political subdivisions, such service officer shall be appointed by agreement of the chief executive officers of each subdivision participating in the establishment of such office, subject to the confirmation of the governing body of each subdivision participating. If the several political subdivisions are unable to agree upon a service officer, then and in that

event such officer shall be designated from among the candidates proposed by the commissioner of veterans' affairs.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-3-111, is amended in subsection (d) by deleting the last sentence thereof and by substituting instead the following:

Any veterans' service officer who does not complete the required training and receive accreditation within one (1) year shall be removed from office by the chief executive officer or officers of the political subdivision or subdivisions creating such office.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.